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FM AMEMBASSY PARAMARIBO
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4364
INFO USDOC WASHDC
AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN

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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: ETRD NS
SUBJ: SURINAM RESTRICTS IMPORTANT OF PERSONAL AUTOS

1. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY THE GOS HAS HALTED THE
ISSUANCE OF LICENSES FOR THE IMPORTATION OF
ALL PERSONAL AUTOS INTO THE COUNTRY AND ANNOUNCED
THOSE LICENSES ALREADY ISSUED WILL NOT BE
EXTENDED. THIS BAN IS EXPECTED TO REMAIN
IN FORCE UNTIL SPECIFIC GUIDELINES AS TO THE SIZE
AND NUMBER OF AUTOMOBILES WHICH WILL BE ALLOWED INTO
SURINAM ARE PROMULGATED. MINISTER OF ECONOMIC
AFFAIRS LUDWICH ZUIVERLOON, WHOSE MINISTRY INITIATED
THE BAN HAS CALLED FOR A MEETING WITH SURINAM AUTO-
MOTIVE DISTRIBUTORS ON MAY 31 TO CONSULT WITH
THEM BEFORE DRAWING UP THE NEW REGULATIONS.

2. SOME GOVERNMENT ACTION RESTRICTING AUTOMOBILE
IMPORTS HAS BEEN EXPECTED FOR OVER A YEAR AND
THE CURRENT MOVE COMES AS NO REAL SURPRISE.
WHILE IT IS MAINLY A RESPONSE TO SURINAM'S WEAKENED
BALANCE OF PAYMENTS POSITION IN 1977, THERE ALSO HAS
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BEEN A GROWING CONCERN REGARDING THE PROLIFERATION
OF LARGE FULL-SIZE AUTOMOBILES, MANY BEING PRIVATELY
IMPORTED DIRECTLY FROM MIAMI, AND THE RESULTING
TRAFFIC CONGESTION ON SURINAM'S NARROW ROADS. ANY
FUTURE GUIDELINES ARE THEREFORE LIKELY
QUALITY BOTH CONCERNS AS WELL AS A DESIRE TO KEEP
GASOLINE IMPORTS TO A MINIMUM.

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